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What could be more appropriate on the First Day of Summer than a picture of several Tilton Hospital WAC lovelies? So our cover page is adorned by "Beauty in Bloom" in the person of T/Sgt. Irene Cleveland, T/5 Estelle Wagner, and T/5 Pearl Booth, left to right, shown amid blossoming rhododendrons on the hospital grounds.

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Editorial

To maintain his zeal for work and combat, armies of the world have come to recognize the need for training the soldier's mind.

Americans hold the belief that the soldier's mind should be free, informed, judicious, able to protect itself from sophistry, and falsehood, alert and understanding of the larger problems of command, and of his Nation.

Such qualities of mind can grow only in the presence of a free press and freedom of speech, and they can only serve the individual and his democratic society adequately if he has the opportunity to nourish such qualities through information and education.

Free access to information, uninhibited discussion with his fellow men, and a common opportunity to pursue self-education are the three major resources which support the American concept of the mental training of the soldier in a democratic country.

But troops in vast numbers, on duty all over the world and segregated from familiar sources of news, the understanding of events, and of education, could hardly fulfill the natural rights of members of a democracy to know the truth and to grow through it, unless the Army they belong to undertakes to supply the needs of their minds as well as their material wants. This the Army does through its Information and Education program.

The nature of the Information and Education program in the American Army springs from the essential qualities of the men who make up the Army and the institutions from which they derive. The institutions and the national traditions which form the American soldier even before he enters the Army, provide him with free access to many sources of information, opportunities for free discussion and opportunities for an unbiased education.

These things produce a quality of initiative, self-reliance, and self-discipline which is held to be peculiarly American. When these qualities are combined with adequate military training and equipment, they enable the American soldier to defeat the enemy, in many cases without numerical superiority. Thus, the Army is in this sense the beneficiary of the free institutions of America which have provided such qualities for its citizen soldiers.

We at Tilton Hospital would do well to take every advantage we can of the splendid Information and Education facilities offered here.

Capt. Morrison Becomes New Chief of Surgical Service

Tilton's Surgical Service has a new chief. He is Captain Donald R. Morrison, appointed by Colonel S. Jay Turnbull, Commanding Officer, to succeed Lt. Col. Samuel H. Klein, who has been separated from the service.

Capt. Morrison, who had been serving as Assistant Chief of the Surgical Service, was born in New York City, where he was graduated from Fordham Preparatory School. While in prep school, he participated in dramatics and was a "Three-letter" man—playing baseball, basketball, and football.

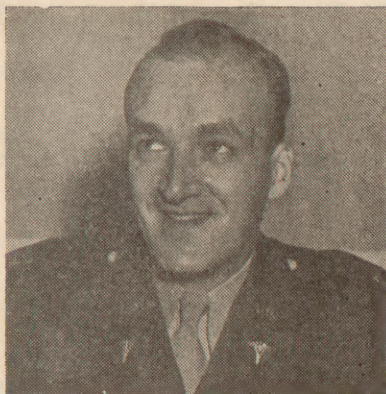
Following graduation in 1939 from the Medical College of Cornell University, he spent an internship and made a post-graduate study at the Cornell Medical Center in New York City.

In October, 1944 he was commissioned a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. Following a six-weeks course at the Medical Field Service School, Carlisle Barracks, Penna., he was assigned to Hammond General Hospital in California, where he was Chief in the General Surgery Section.

He was promoted to a Captaincy in October, 1945 and the past January was transferred from Hammond General to Tilton Hospital. He served as Chief of the Officers' Section and Assistant Chief of the Surgical Service at Tilton before taking over his new assignment.

He is a member of the Nu Sigma Nu Medical Fraternity.

Capt. Morrison was wed in October, 1942 to Miss Dorothy Hoover of York, Penna. The couple, who reside at Lakehurst, have two children, Joan, aged 20 months; and Laura, a month and a half old.



Capt. Morrison

Other recent changes in the hospital's professional services include Capt. George M. Robins becoming Assistant Chief of the Medical Service, President of the CDD Board (Medical), and a member of the Enlisted Retiring Board; and Capt. Frank A. English appointed Chief of the General Medical Section.

Lt. Col. Klein was tendered a farewell dinner at the Officers' mess prior to his separation from the service.

Old and Young Go Under Knife

Reflecting the wide range in ages of those undergoing surgery at Tilton General Hospital, a difference of 74½ years was noted in two recent operations.

According to Capt. Donald R. Morrison, Chief of Surgical Service, the surgery schedule included an 18-months old child and also a 76-year old Spanish-American War Vet.

'Variety Van' Show Coming

Tiltonites are due for another high-classed entertainment on Thursday and Friday, July 11 and 12, when the USO-Camp Shows production, "Variety Van," comes to Tilton General Hospital.

The show is said to be one of the finest on the USO-Camp Shows circuit. Further details will appear in the next issue of Tilton Talk.

It will be presented on both evenings, with a performance at Tilton Main's outdoor theatre and one at Tilton Annex's starlight stage.

Before capacity audiences at both theatres, "Fun Follies", a rollicking USO-Camp Shows Revue, was presented on Wednesday and Thursday this week.

Featuring dancing, juggling, boogie-woogie, and a line of dancing dolls, the show was emceed by Comedian Horace MacMahon, stage-screen actor who appeared in "Three Men On a Horse" and other productions.

The program had plenty of variety. Dave Marco's "Shadograph" act went over big. Comedy juggling by Hart and Dynes scored a hit and added humor came from a musical variety act by Dave Appolon and Company.

The Eight Cover Girls drew considerable applause in their snappy, musical routines. Others who added variety were Viola Klaiss, well known Philadelphia band leader and pianist; and Lynn Martin, who sang "They Say It's Wonderful" and other popular numbers.

Colonel's Column

With the activation on May 31 of the 9958th TSU-SGO (Technical Service Unit, Surgeon General's Office), Tilton General Hospital has been operating under an entirely new setup, by direction of the Surgeon General's Office.

The change marked another milestone in the five-year history of this hospital. It resulted in a separation of the technical and non-Medical Department personnel of the hospital.

The Headquarters, 1257th SCU, Tilton General Hospital and the WAC Detachment, 1257th SCU, were inactivated on May 31, while the Detachment, Medical Department, 1257th SCU, was redesignated the 1257th SCU, Tilton General Hospital.

The new structure includes the same personnel as has been operating the hospital and so the transition to a different setup does not injure the efficiency of the hospital in any way whatsoever.

The present setup places the purely Medical Department personnel such as those operating the surgical, medical, dental, X-Ray, laboratory, and nursing services directly under the Surgeon General's Office rather than the First Army Area.

The 9958th TSU-SGO consists of a Detachment, Medical Department, WAC Detachment, and Headquarters that consists of officers, nurses, dieticians, and physical therapists.

The remainder of personnel is assigned to the 1257th, which includes supply, mess, special services, motor pool, finance, chaplains, signal section, utilities, and other non-professional functions under the First Army area.

Ex-Tilton Vets Enjoy Reunion

Wounded veterans who trained at Fort Dix and who later were patients at Tilton General Hospital, gathered at a reunion recently at the Hotel Penn in Trenton.

Special tribute was paid Mrs. Jessie Mars, manager of the hotel and honorary president of the Purple Heart Club that is composed of the vets.

She served as a "one-man committee" to ease their burdens when they were sent back from the battlefields as casualties. On Tuesdays she came to Tilton General Hospital to visit her "Boys". She did their shopping, wrote letters, and brought them gifts.

Brothers Apart Five Years, Meet at TGH

Oh, brother, what a reunion it was recently when S/Sgt. George Marciniak, patient on Ward 27, accidentally met his brother David, whom he hadn't seen in five years!

"I just walked into the PX," said the Sergeant, "and there he was. I was never so glad to see anyone before."

The brothers are both Infantrymen. David was sent to Fort Dix after reenlisting. During the war he served in England, France, and Germany. George has been in the American and European Theatres of Operation.

Sgt. George was a patient at the 111th General Hospital at Daglinworth, England before coming to Tilton five months ago.

Joe's Missing A Lot of Fun

Dear Joe:

O.K. fella, it's your turn to get the mail. How's that furlough going? Just give us long enough to get there if you decide to take the fatal step and marry Joanie.

Tilton is buzzin', cuzzin. We've really got a deal in these Red Cross trips. They've even ordered bathing suits for us to take with us to the seashore—and on some of the other outings. The baseball games are really fun. We tear down to Red Cross on Monday morning to get our names on the list.

And believe it or not, keed, the Red Cross is really on the ball with movies these days—getting them before they hit Broadway. Hold your breath for, "The Postman Always Rings Twice", and be sure to see "Heartbeat". The stage shows have been getting pretty good, too, 'specially the ones put on by American Theatre Wing and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

We got a big laugh out of Smitty last night. The Red Cross gal brought some entertainment to the ward and Smitty nearly died when his girl who was visiting him said, "D'you have this **every** night? I won't bother to come". The entertainment was a troupe of hula dancers complete with grass skirts!

And how about that party on Ward 5. Lovely hostesses, some really bang-up decorations and a good time for everyone. We looked in on it on our way back from the Red Cross and those guys really were loving it. I guess Ward 28 is due for a similar shindig any day now.

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Courses Completed By Tiltonites

Courses in various subjects have been completed by personnel at Tilton General Hospital recently under the Armed Forces Institute, the Information and Education Office has announced.

Among those who finished USAFI courses and the subjects studied, are:

1st Lt. John D. Giacomo, CE, Ward 52, "Operations Preliminary to Building" and "Wood Construction."

2nd Lt. Gertrude Shapiro, ANC, Ward 56, "A Survey of Ancient History".

T/5 Maurice Goller, Med. Det. (Annex), "Cost Accounting".

T/5 Bernard Ufee, patient, "Refrigeration".

JOE'S MISSING A LOT OF FUN

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As for the Annex, they tell me Ward 41 takes the chocolate cake for being "the partiest" ward on that side. Boy, they say they can cook up a party to celebrate when the WAC "makes up" with her boy friend! Any excuse for a party is their code, and they have fun at it, I hear!

Keep up the old Tilton spirit, fella, and hustle back soon. We miss you - and so does that red-headed P.T. worker!

See ya—
Dick

General Hobbs Speaks

Maj. Gen. Leland S. Hobbs, who formerly commanded Fort Dix, and is now stationed at Camp Polk, La., was the main speaker at the Philadelphia Flag Day observance in Independence Hall last Friday.



Which Do You Consider More Important In A Person,
Personality or Good Looks?



Veteran Steven Munkacsy, Wd. 89: To someone with a career, particularly girls, good looks are more important. Most business executives prefer a girl with looks and charm. Make up and dress proves more valuable in the business and social world because there, show is more important. But when it comes to the domestic angle, I'll take a dependable girl with personality any day.

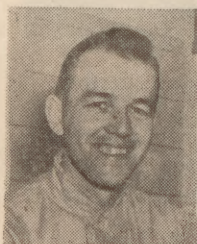
T/5 Agnes Paxton, Physiotherapy (A): Considering the opposite sex, I think that a tall, dark and handsome man with lots of good looks is apt to be vain or conceited. A man with a good personality would make a much better husband. An unattractive man is usually more dependable, understanding, secure, considerate, sociable, sincere, affectionate and has more intelligence. Ahh! Is there such a man?



Lt. Camille Tisci, Wd. 34: A person who has a good personality is companionable and more pleasant to talk with. He can acquire and keep friends more easily. One can fall in love with a person who has a well developed personality but good looks only cause infatuation. Beauty fades with the years, but personality lasts throughout life. It is much better to be nice than good looking.



Cpl. Ruben Rembolt, Utilities: I think good looks are more important because a personality can be developed whereas beauty cannot. If a person cannot develop a pleasing personality then he would probably lose it if he had one. Our character improves or otherwise, we never stay the same. Good looks is a rare gift. Personality is something that can eventually be acquired by anyone. Both characteristics can prevail.



Pfc. Jack Harnischfeger, Wd. 51: Personality is definitely more important. With a minimum of exceptions, the beauty is usually dumb. Personality involves a large scope on social affairs and a general knowledge of events. One needn't be a social monger to have personality but when persons are well read, talkative and intelligent they usually possess the dynamic tension to make them click. They are much more pleasant to associate with.



The Reunion is a thing of the past
Good thing, too, 'cause who
could last!

And if noise is any criteria of a good time, they HAD IT! Returnees began arriving Thursday evening full of vim, vigor, and vitality and the last hanger on departed Monday, dragging his tail behind him — the vim, vigor, and vitality definitely a thing of the past.

Thursday evening produced the Wetzels and Louise Martin, the "Wisconsin flashes"; Nat and Frank Smith from up Massachusetts way and the Sheas from Indiana (via Tennessee). Friday the functions began in earnest and the kissing meter hit an all time high. Len Berman started producing with Frediani being outnoised by Smith. The Reserved Room worked overtime and rumor hath it that Col. T, "Handsome" John Latimer and Frediani "gave the party" (Steve Martin still has "dirty Dick"). The bridge department was taken care of by Mrs. T,



Seated at the speakers' table during the banquet at the Officers' Club that was a feature of the recent Tilton Alumni Reunion are, left to right: Dr. Alex Frediani, Mrs. Frediani, Brig. Gen. Henry Munnikhuysen, Mrs. S. Jay Turnbull, Mrs. Alex Miller, Dr. Alex Miller, Dr. Seymour Katz, and Mrs. Seymour Katz.

Lou Martin, Ginny Wetzel, and Betty Latimer while the rest of the gang danced to the music of WO Oscar's Band.

Saturday brought more people, more noise, and a ball game under the direction of "Coach" Hermann. This was probably the shortest game on record — five years have really taken their toll of The Tilton Tigers. Outstanding, however, was Al Miller and Ralph Wetzel's spectacular fielding. Doug Munnikhuysen was suffering from a slight case of dropsey and John Clark almost expired when he hit a home run. Naomi Katz screamed herself hoarse "coaching" her shortstop husband, but he insists he can only function **nights**. Sid Brandt was off his game playing third instead of his usual first. "Ace" Dunlap outdid himself catching while "Slugger" Brodtkin came around those bases aflyin'. Frank Smith refereed, but no one could hear his decisions. The toughest job of the scorekeeper was performed by Charlie Robbins — he needed an adding machine to count those runs when Healy was pitching. The busiest person of all was Lee Bracia, opening those bottles of beer on third base. The arrival of W. Todd DeVan and his wife broke up the game which was a good thing, from the red faces and panting of the participants — the litter squad would have been next.

Saturday night brought the banquet and the Officers' Club was as dressed up as the guests. Al Miller made it in from Cleveland to emcee, assisted by Sy Katz and heckled by Frediani. Col. Robert Layton was formerly presented the Commendation Ribbon by Col. Turnbull, members of the Alumni Committee were given certificates of appreciation by Hal Hermann, and Col. and Mrs. Turnbull received a Magnavox radio-

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Proudly We Hail

The following are congratulated on their recent promotions to Private, First Class:

To Private, First Class:

Pvt. Clyde G. Benjamin
 Pvt. Raymond Brown
 Pvt. George H. Davis
 Pvt. William E. Edwards
 Pvt. Paul D. Gauntt
 Pvt. Elmo M. Hamilton
 Pvt. Raymond Kendzierski
 Pvt. John D. Law
 Pvt. James Longobardi
 Pvt. Harold A. Meyers
 Pvt. Richard J. Mitchell
 Pvt. Edward L. Moscovis
 Pvt. Robert A. Nunes
 Pvt. Frederic O'Kon
 Pvt. Louis Orta
 Pvt. Rudolph Rose
 Pvt. Jack E. Shores
 Pvt. Jack E. Smith
 Pvt. Benjamin P. Vecchio
 Pvt. Reese Watkins
 Pvt. George Wheeler
 Pvt. Charles A. Whitmore
 Pvt. Wilbur E. Hartman
 Pvt. Max Schnapp
 Pvt. Robert R. Quigley
 Pvt. Harvey Ewing
 Pvt. John Gerencer
 Pvt. William Kane
 Pvt. William Lingo
 Pvt. Robert McGehee
 Pvt. Giovanni Coppola
 Pvt. Ray Hansen
 Pvt. Leon Jones
 Pvt. Robert Watkins
 Pvt. Raymond Blevins
 Pvt. Nathan Brothers
 Pvt. John Donathan
 Pvt. George W. Gray
 Pvt. Henry J. Hudson
 Pvt. Gerard McCarthy
 Pvt. Robert Overby
 Pvt. Ralph E. Ringwald
 Pvt. Roy Small
 Pvt. Ralph T. Hoogland
 Pvt. George E. Thom
 Pvt. Philip O. Nothafft
 Pvt. Herman Michael

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phonograph combination from all the alumni inscribed with a silver plaque bearing the inscription:

To Col. and Mrs. S. Jay Turnbull

"For many happy memories"

Alumni of Tilton General Hospital

March 1941 — June 1946

There were singing, dancing, and movies in the patio — The Tilton Reunion put everyone quite late to bed!

Sunday came all too soon for some but others being made of sturdy stuff, even made breakfast at the Club. Others like Jack Berk swam the length of the Tilton Pool 150 times, while Hal Hermann and Sy Katz took on the Col's tennis courts. Late afternoon found everyone at the Col's Farm behind dark glasses and up to their ears in clams, lobsters, and fried chicken.

And thus endeth the First Tilton Reunion. We hope everyone had a good time and that before too many years have past we may have another. Many many thanks to the Alumni Committee — Lt. Col. Fitz, Dan Towns, Johnnie Kegereiss, Wes Moore, Kate Ryan, and John Clark. So long —

"DOC" DUCK

FIELD DAY JULY 2 FOR PATIENTS

Patients at Tilton Main and the Annex are eligible to vie in a Patient's Field Day on Tuesday, July 2, the Physical Reconditioning Service announced this week.

It will begin at 1:30 p.m. at Athletic Area No. 1 at the Main Hospital. Winners will get a three-day pass.

The field day will be the physical reconditioning class for that date, instead of the regularly scheduled classes.



Amid the picturesque surroundings of Col. S. Jay Turnbull's Farm, reunionites at the recent three-day Tilton Alumni gathering are shown above enjoying a clam bake. The fete climaxed the successful affair, first of its kind to be held here.

Hub of Tilton Activities is at Headquarters -

The "pulse beat" of Tilton General Hospital is felt at Headquarters, through which passes all matters pertaining to the efficient operation of the hospital.

Here all the regulations affecting the policies and functioning of the hospital are issued.

The over-all supervision of Tilton Hospital is the responsibility of its commanding officer, Colonel S. Jay Turnbull, whose "right hand men" include Major James W. Polkinhorn, Executive Officer; Capt. John B. Kegerreis, Adjutant; 1st Lt. Irving Adler, Assistant Executive Officer; and 2nd Lt. Julius Freedman, Assistant Adjutant.

Among the activities relating to the administration of the hospital which are handled by Headquarters are: issuance of directives affecting the operation of the hospital, handling of headquarters correspondence, assignment of officers to duties, publication of special, general, and court martial orders; preparation and reviewing of reports, maintenance of files on TGH regulations, Army Regulations, War Dept. Circulars, Bulletins, Pamphlets and other War Dept. and subordinate command directives; operation of message center, promotion of enlisted personnel and recommendations for promotion of officers and nurses; awarding of War Dept. medals, certificates, etc.; and maintenance of an information desk.

Much of the Headquarters activity falls on the Sergeant Major's Office. Mr. Vincent J. Bowden, who served Tilton before his military service and later as its Sergeant Major with a Master Sergeant's rating, returned to his job upon discharge. In addition to directing the work of his office, he handles the heavy volume of correspondence, directives, etc. that pass

through his desk, enroute to the Commanding Officer or various sections of the hospital. A curio on his desk announces that he is a member of the "Chairborne paragraphers."

Top non-com, who has charge of the publication of orders, is T/Sgt. Catherine Prie. Assisting her in the Order Section is S/Sgt. William R. Zeller and Cpl. James Santalo; and T/5 Carl Neary, who operates the duplicating machine that prints the orders and other Headquarters publications such as the Daily Information Bulletin.

Secretary to the commanding officer, is T/4 Eleanor Sledge. Civilian stenographers who also play a merry tune when their typewriters "sing", are: Miss Margaret E. Becker and Miss Marjorie J. Stein.

The File Section, where thousands of pieces of correspondence and other material are filed, is efficiently maintained by Cpl. William Schmitt (in charge) and Pfc. Richard Survis.

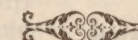
The Message Center is the scene of

busy activity all through the day. Three specific routes are covered five times a day by a staff of messengers that delivers and picks up material at all wards, departments, and services of the hospital. The Message Center crew consists of Pfc. T. F. Rowan, Pfc. Harry M. Beckwith, Mrs. Lee Saltesz, Miss Mildred Emery, Mr. Peter Rewaga, and Mr. George P. Lauria, the latter two ex-servicemen.

Information relative to the location of the various offices of the hospital, as well as the quartering of patients is supplied by the Headquarters Information Service, just inside the main entrance to headquarters. The hospital paging system is operated by the Information Desk, where all incoming long distance calls are also handled. Personnel employed at Information include Sgt. A. Greci, in charge; Pfc. Stanley Tornes, Miss Mary Halbick, Mrs. Mary E. Berrien, and Mrs. Helen O'Dowd.



Brunt of Sergeant Major Office operations is borne by the above staff, consisting of Mr. Vincent J. Bowden, Sergeant Major; Staff Sergeant William R. Zeller, assistant to T/Sgt. Catherine Prie of the Orders Section; and T/4 Eleanor Sledge, secretary to Colonel S. Jay Turnbull, Commanding officer.



Message Center activities are carried on by the below pictured personnel, who route, pick up, and deliver official correspondence, directives and other material at Tilton Main. Shown are, left to right: Miss Mildred Emery, George P. Lauria, Peter Rewaga, Pfc. T. F. Rowan, and Mrs. Lee. Saltesz.



Adding considerably to the smoothly operated Sergeant Major's Office is the efficiency of the group shown above: They are, left to right: Cpl. William Schmitt, chief file clerk; Miss Margaret E. Becker, stenographer; Pfc. Richard Survis, file clerk; Miss Marjorie J. Stein, stenographer; Cpl. James Santalo, order section typist; and T/5 Carl Neary, duplicating machine operator.



Tilton WAC's Plan Trips Up Altar

The marriage of T/5 Elizabeth Happersett, member of the Tilton WAC Detachment from Aiken, S. C. to Sgt. Thomas Pierce of Crescent Park, N. J. was scheduled for today at Philadelphia.

Among other Tilton WACs who have revealed their engagement to marry are:

T/4 Ethel Fain to Joseph Troup of Providence, R. I.

T/5 Violet Pollock to Albert Buhler of Algiers, La.

T/5 Marion Gala to Michael Demsho of Ilion, N. Y.

T/5 Mary Whalen to William Brownall of Illinois.

The marriage of T/4 Geraldine Thomas to Paul Hutchings of Michigan has been announced.

Figure "6" Hath Charm, Claims Patient

The number "6" has "figured" prominently in the life of Cpl. Paul Davis, a patient at Ward 32, who recently was wed to Miss Hazel Curtis, Tilton teleprinter operator.

Davis, a prisoner of the Japs 3½ years following capture in the Bataan "Death March", was liberated on the 6th of September, 1945 and arrived in the U.S. last October 16. He and Miss Curtis, whose maiden name has six letters, began their courtship last December 6, and six months later were married on the sixth day of the sixth month of 1946. Both are aged 26, one with a birthday on May 6 and the other on September 6.

May they have many fears of marital bliss—perhaps 66 of them.



It sounds as though someone is very much off the beam when he says there are 56 hours to a day. That means 392 hours to a week! During this age of strikes you hear of such things as "shorter hours" and "longer hours"; on the radio you hear the "Hour of Charm" and "The Telephone Hour" each lasting for thirty minutes. These inaccuracies prompt the remark "an hour is sixty minutes, no matter how you figure it".

Perhaps radio has some special license—at any rate, we at WTGH consider every 15 minute period of the day to be one full hour. We do this because we are relaying four 15-minute programs over our system simultaneously. We operate from eight to ten daily, 14 hours by the clock but an actual 56 hours of entertainment and information for our listeners. So we are not so far off when we say there are 56 hours to our day.

To fill in these 56 hours with programs that will please our audience is no cinch. Our easiest and most widely used source of material is the commercial radio station. From commercial stations, we receive and pipe out programs that have been requested by the patients. Unfortunately the networks and private stations are trying to reach a different type of audience; this is particularly true during the daylight hours when we hear "Our Gal Sunday", "Romance of Helen Trent" and such other programs which cater to the busy housewife.

There are numerous small independent stations that carry daytime programs that would appeal to Tilton's patients, but our receivers cannot satisfactorily pick up these smaller stations. For those who are hep to the jive, if they're calloused to the frequent commercials, there is plenty of popular music that we can pull in. The squares and longhairs are not so lucky since the networks broadcast an average of only two hours a day of classical music. To fill in this dearth of classical music from the outside it is necessary that the staff of WTGH prepare and present our own programs of classical music. Then there's that Yankee game! By such an overwhelming request by the patients for the Yankee game, we have been scheduling it daily despite poor reception.

We've been talking about the networks and how inappropriate some of their programs are for the WTGH audience. How do we face this problem? — by preparing our own programs. At present we are scheduling an average of 15 hours a day of WTGH-originated programs—including record shows. Armed Forces Radio Service, the pappy of all War Department stations, provides us with a goodly share of recorded material in all

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Jeeps Eye End of Basic Training

With their two weeks' intensified basic training ended, 220 inductees who came to Tilton General Hospital early last month, now look forward to completion of their full eight-weeks training, the last six of which are being spent in on-the-job instruction.

The two weeks of elementary indoctrination and orientation were given in two cycles for as many groups, by officers of Tilton. Training films and lectures dealt with Military Courtesy, Sex and Hygiene, Clothing Conservation, Safeguarding Military Information, Personal Adjustment, Organization of the Army, Disease Control and First Aid.

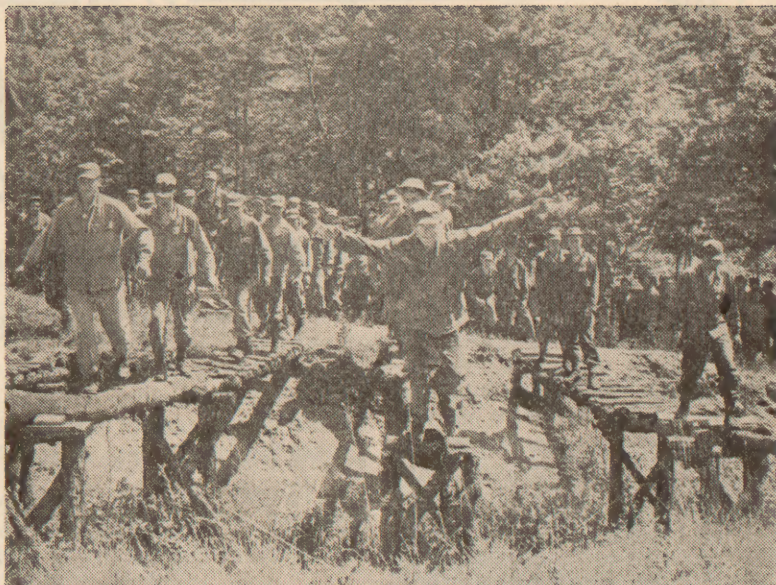
Dismounted drilling and physical training were directed by S/Sgt. John Morgan and Cpl. Tom Warren.

Upon conclusion of the first two weeks' training, 35 of the men were transferred to Fort Dix Reception Center for further training and assignment. The others remained at Tilton for training in various sections of the hospital. They take one hour of physical training and the remainder of the time is spent on the job.

Club Invites Patients

Officer patients at Tilton Hospital are permitted the privileges of membership in the Tilton Officers' Club effective June 1, upon recommendation of the Board of Governors of the club, and approval of Col. S. Jay Turnbull, commanding officer.

Membership responsibilities are on the same basis as for duty officers and include payment of an initiation fee and monthly dues.



Oh, for the life of a basic trainee!! (Are we kidding?) Shown here going over the obstacle course are some of the Tilton General Hospital Jeeps who are in the final stages of training. Note the one in the center front, ready to "take off".

Tilton Chapel Scene of June Weddings

Tilton Hospital's Main Chapel was the scene of several impressive weddings the fore part of June—traditional nuptial month.

Although they have been acquaintances for 14 years, Miss Hazel Curtis, Tilton TWX operator and Cpl. Paul Davis, a patient, didn't begin their courtship until last December 6. They were married on Thursday, June 6 at 3 p.m. at Tilton Main Chapel by Chaplain George T. Baggs.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Curtis of Phillipsburg, N. J. and the groom is the son of Mrs. Mary Davis, also of Phillipsburg.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

She wore a white suit, with a corsage of gardenias. Her matron of honor was Mrs. Mary V. Rabatie, of Trenton, an employee of Ward 32 at Tilton. She was attired in aqua and wore a corsage of pink roses.

Best man was Edward P. Ryan, of Trenton, N. J.

Following an informal reception, the couple left on a honeymoon.

The groom was a prisoner of the Japanese for 3½ years, having been captured in the history-making Bataan "Death March".

Chaplain George T. Baggs officiated at the marriage on June 3 of Lt. Betty Shields, former Tilton General Hospital nurse, and T/4 Charles McKinley, a patient on Ward 27.

Maid of honor was Lt. Ruth T. O'Brien, Tilton nurse. Sgt.

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The RECONDITIONING Bulletin Board

Counseling for the Patients

Have you been tested lately? Wouldn't you like to see how you stack up in a high school test? Do you think you can beat the average score? Why not try to see what you can do? Telephone 7267 for an appointment. If you make good in a big way there is plenty the government can do for you.

For every veteran of the Armed Forces, there is an opportunity to study anywhere in the U.S., at any approved school which he considers best in the field he wishes to enter. The only requirements needed is 90 days of active service and any type of discharge other than dishonorable.

The government pays up to \$500 for an ordinary school year to cover tuition, laboratory, library books, and other similar fees. The student receives a subsidy of \$65 a month, with no dependents and \$90 a month with one or more.

The purpose of the Separation Classification and Counseling Section in this hospital is to give the future veteran whatever assistance and guidance he may need to help him decide what opportunities he may have, whether he wishes to return to school, or take up a trade. In our Separation library we have a large number of books, pamphlets, and catalogues from the various schools and colleges.

If a man doubts his learning capacity, he may take any one of the numerous General Educational Development Tests, both high school and college level.

BACK-STAGE IN EDUCATIONAL RECONDITIONING or MUCH ADO ABOUT SOMETHING

"Honestly, Sgt., I never can tell whether this is the most goof-off office in the hospital or the busiest," moaned a patient on his umpty-umph visit to the Educational Reconditioning Office on the back ramp of the Annex.

To tell you the truth, we don't lay claim to either title, officially or unofficially, but we do claim that few other offices can boast of the variety of incident and query that we can.

First, of course, are the people who get lost. Either by foot or by dial phone. Naturally, we're only telling you this in order to tell you where to find Building T-29-75, Annex — on the last ramp, the open one, beyond the heating plant, the third building.

Some want to know where to find the swimming pool (walk down the ramp to the right from our office until you get there), equipment for tennis (go to the gym for that and for soft-ball on Saturday afternoons and Sunday, otherwise to the shack near the baseball diamond), the typing classes (right here, my friend), —Oh, we could go on like that for pages.

Now mind you, this is only incidental to the work of the day.

Those big movie machines require care. Unless the cabinets are kept immaculately clean, static electricity gathers the dust in the enclosed and unventilated machines onto the film, the film buckles, tightens, strains, breaks, and wham—a good three hours of repairing the film that night is in store for some unlucky person.

Thirteen typewriters must be kept in repair somehow. And the classes must be taught in such a way that the person who comes to learn to type a letter to his current affair in one EASY lesson will be encouraged to come more often in order to learn the keyboard and to have a speed of 15 words a minute by the time he leaves the hospital.

Personnel give talks, too. Where do they get all the material? Most people think that the Army send it to us and that we just read and unload. Not so, we read and read papers, magazines, and books, file clipping so that there is more information and misinformation on any one subject than we can use — and we must be sure to discard the misinformation and pick only the pertinent facts.

If you want to learn to read more efficiently, if you want to practice typing or to learn how to type, or if you want anything else in the way of education, call either 6205 or 3187 and we will either fill your needs or try to show you where you can find someone to do the job.

Gulch Gossip

(By Pfc. Chester Christian)

You boys who have been caught stealing jam after using so much energy to reach the top shelf must know how those two Detachment men felt like after climbing the eight-foot fence back of the Annex—only to find their First Sergeant coming up the road on the other side! Moral: Learn more about "defense" and less about "defense" . . . Reports that a "ferocious" Tarzan has been on the loose in Barracks T16-3 are untrue. That spine tingling bellow from the GI swinging around the rafters comes from PVT. LOUIS DINOFA, who gets nightly exercise that way . . . Yes, you're apt to hear almost any kind of sound in some of the barracks at night. For example, PVT. CHARLES MISTERKA gives out with his deep bass voice in the nearby barracks where T/5 MAC DOUGAL makes music with his licorice stick (thought it was a clarinet but he says it's an oboe) . . . And this really did happen here. GI: "Where ya going? Jeep: "Shipping out." GI: "Going by roster?" Jeep: "Naw, I'm going by train" . . . We sure miss that rousing (and we DO mean rousing) voice of SGT. BERT POLLACK, transferred to New York permanently — as a civilian. With Bert gone, BOB KER-SHAW is that sergeant who gets the men out of those nice, warm beds in T16-5 to find the cold, dreary world we face at reveille . . . A ten-cent savings stamp to any girl who can determine whether that beautiful ring on T/5 STEVE RUDICK'S finger is a friendship or a wedding ring . . . Note to those just promoted: A bit of phosphorous on those stripes will make them glow at night.

Personality Parade

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of sketches on the military careers of enlisted personnel of Tilton General Hospital.)

Technical Sergeant Frank Fleischer, caretaker of the Tilton Officers' Club, has a warm spot in his heart for this particular "neck of the woods".

He began his military career twenty-seven years ago at Fort Dix and expects to terminate his soldiering in the same locality as a member of Tilton General Hospital's Medical Detachment.

"Pop", as he is known among his friends in the "Gulch" and at the Officers' Club, has done a lot of travelling during his 27 years' service.

He has been stationed at Fort Ontario in New York, Camp D. A. Russel in Texas, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania; Fort Jay, New York, Camp Kilmer, N. J.; Camp Meade, Maryland; Fort Wadsworth, New York; Camp Crowder, Missouri; and Camp Lexington, Virginia.



Seven and a half years of his army life were spent in Schofield Barracks, Oahu, Hawaii, where he served as a field medic.

From 1942 until 1945, Sgt. Fleischer was assigned to the Office of the Chief Surgeon, Communications Zone, European Theater of Operations, in England, where he was attached to several units as a replacement.

He also spent 3½ years in Panama as Sergeant Major at the France Field Station Hospital.

He's barracks sergeant of T-16-25 and really keeps those "upper crust" sergeants on the beam, when it comes to those weekly inspections.

Although Sgt. Fleischer was born in New York, he grew up in Virginia and plans to settle there on his 50-acre farm when he returns from the army.

TILTON CHAPEL SCENE OF JUNE WEDDINGS

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Walt T. Mullins, Tilton patient, was best man.

The couple spent their honeymoon in Hastings, Neb.

The bride was recently separated from the service.

Another recent wedding was that in which Bertha Russell of Baltimore, Md. became the bride of M/Sgt. Angelo Retalis, a patient on Ward 26, in a ceremony performed by Chaplain George T. Baggs at the Tilton Main Chapel.

The couple spent their honeymoon in Atlantic City.

Sport Slants



By Nick Gusz

Tilton's swimming season was inaugurated recently with a water carnival at the new outdoor pool, when the Philadelphia Turners and Newark Athletic Club presented an entertaining and enjoyable show.

During the Newark section of the program, ballet numbers featured by the renowned Nacettes, comedy diving by the Aquazanies, and underwater swimming by 65-year old Dr. James Bachman, who swam a complete length of the pool underwater with his hands tied.

The Philadelphia Turners gave their version of the Aquacade, starring Rita Wolprt, Interscholastic diving champion; Joe Verdeur, National AAU 200 and 220-yard breast stroke champ; and Ben Hertline, high diving board slapstick artist.

In a special match race, Verdeur nosed out Tilton's John "Buck" Rogers, former All-American Scholastic Swimming Team member and Cornell University pool record holder. Rogers has been out of competition for three years and plans to return to school in September to add to his present laurels.

Contributing to the success of the carnival were the post engineers' preparations at the pool, W/O Walter Oscar and his ASF Band, Special Services, and Lt. Edward R. Singer of the Physical Reconditioning Office.



Col. S. Jay Turnbull, Commanding Officer of Tilton General Hospital is shown giving the dedicatory address at the opening of the new TGH outdoor swimming pool recently at the Annex.

Capt. Keele Wins Post Golf Title



Shooting a steady match all the way, Capt. John C. Keele, Jr., Tilton General Hospital Personnel Director, recently won the annual Fort Dix Golf Tournament and the championship that goes with it.

He earned the title by outclassing a field of 150 qualifiers, including a mixture of professional and amateur golfers, from all components of Fort Dix and Tilton General Hospital.

Capt. Keele qualified by turning in a 74-card over the 72-par eighteen hole Fort Dix course.

The sixteen best scorers in the 150-man qualifying round competed in the elimination that led to the finals, when Capt. Keele outplayed Capt. C. E. Forte, AAF Liaison Officer from Fort Dix. The TGH swinger had the title safely tucked away by the time he finished the 14th hole. Shooting even-par golf, he won the final five up and four to go.

In the earlier matches, the new champ won his first elimination setto by defeating his opponent 5-4, then went on to bannish his next two rivals by 3-2 and one-up counts, before he met Capt. Forte in the finale.

Capt. Keele did not compete last year, being overseas. He established himself as an amateur six years ago at the Kenwood Golf and Country Club, Chevy Chase, Md.

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categories. Our record library is not the best stocked in the world but we are building it up gradually. This is where the patient can help; only through patients' requests can we be guided in our procurement of more records. WTGH is operated for the patient, he is the sponsor and the audience, he is the guy we're striving to please. But sometimes he's a mighty silent boss. It takes just a small piece of paper sent through the message center to your favorite program or to the Station Manager, or a phone call to 22123, for you patients to exercise your partnership in WTGH. Let us know what you want — we'll find some way to get it.

Talking about requests, have you lovers of Western corn been listening to our new "West by Request"? Pull your cord to channel three every day at two-thirty, yank out that six-shooter, and Johnnie (from the West side of Brooklyn) Clark will spin those cowboy requests for you.

Til next time: This is WTGH, the Radio Voice of Tilton.

Church Services

Catholic Chaplain (Main) — Major Leonard J. McAteer

Protestant Chaplain — Capt. George T. Baggs.

Acting Jewish Chaplain — Karl Applebaum

Catholic Chaplain (Annex) — 1st Lt. Cyril J. Potocek

TILTON MAIN CHAPEL

ROMAN CATHOLIC	Sunday Masses	6:15 and 9:45 A.M.
	Weekday Masses	12:15 P.M. Except Wednesday
	Confessions	Before Mass
PROTESTANT	Worship Service	11:00 A.M.
	Communion	First Sunday
JEWISH	Wednesday	7:00 P. M. — Annex
	Friday	7:30 P.M. Post Chapel No. 1

TILTON ANNEX CHAPEL

ROMAN CATHOLIC	Sunday Mass	8:30 A. M.
	Weekday Masses	4:30 P. M. - Except Friday
	Confessions	Before Mass
PROTESTANT	Worship Service	9:45 A. M.
	Communion	First Sunday
JEWISH	Wednesday	7:00 P. M. — Annex
	Friday	Post Chapel No. 1

Pvt. Pilks

By "Slim"



PARADE



Celebrating the third anniversary of WAC activities at Tilton General Hospital, members of TGH WAC Detachment enjoyed a birthday cake recently. Shown above gathered around the birthday delicacy are, left to right: Sgt. Carmen Sherland, T/5 Lillian Huntington, T/5 Pearl Booth, T/5 Anna Fabina, and Pvt. Helen Smith.



One of the bright spots of the USO-Camp Shows production, "Happy Daze" staged recently at the outdoor theatres of Tilton Main and Tilton Annex was tap dancing by Marion Oliver, shown above doing one of the dance routines that brought her rounds of applause from a capacity audience. The show was one of the best seen here.



Before you get excited about the identity of the pulchritudinous pool lovelies shown above, let it be known that they are not "local talent". No, sorry, the shapely swimmers are members of the Newark Athletic Club's "Nacettes", who appeared in ballet numbers at the recent water carnival at Tilton's new outdoor swimming pool.